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VISIONS Food Expenditure 2019:

\$2,190,979

Local Food Expenditure

NWSCF Garden:

\$9,965

Skim Milk-6 Facilities:

\$58,681

Rinehart Local Food Purchases

\$95,943

Wood Expenditure:

NECC:

\$14,300

NWSCF:

\$40,170

Northern State

\$54,470

TOTAL LOCAL FOOD EXPENDITURE: \$219,059

CALCULATIONS: $$2,190,979 \times .20 = $438,195.80$

1% = \$4,381.96

\$219,059 / \$2,190,979 = .10

Blanket Delegation of Authority (BDA): Allows Food Service Supervisors (FSS) to purchase directly from farms. *Can we protect FSS staff from potential litigation?*

Suppliers

Cabot Creamery Kingdom Creamery Halls Orchard Rinehart (Black River) Andy Shetler-Farm Jasper Hill Salvation Farms

Green Mountain Farm to School

Harvest Hill-Farmer

Maple Meadows-Egg Producer

Shadow Cross

Constraints

- Logistics: Supply Chain Distribution
- Availability of blemished vegetables
- W-9 submission
- RFP procurement
- Competing Budgets-Act 148
- May require additional \$219,000 to meet 20% objective

Recommendations

- Financial training to comply with state requirements; a simplistic model
- Bidding process to enhance local distribution/procurement
- St. Albans Coop –Vitamin D Fortified dry milk
- Rinehart negotiates pricing with local producers
 - o Rinehart Review: 1,500 lines identified for demand history
 - o Top 125 lines frequently ordered; 12 lines could be procured locally
 - Ground Beef Patty
 - Mozzarella Cheese
 - American Cheese
 - Potato Chips